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Admiral George W. Anderson, Jr., USN (Ret.)  
Chairman, President's Foreign Intelligence  
Advisory Board  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear George:

At the 3 April meeting we discussed ways in which the Board might expand its oversight activities on behalf of the President, including additional, selective, in-depth examinations of Intelligence Community activities. In order to identify topics for possible further investigation, Bob Galvin suggested that I report regularly on those current CIA or Community activities which might constitute a "bombshell" or surprise. I firmly subscribe to Bob's remarks and would like to take this opportunity to state in writing my conception of my responsibilities to you and the members of the Board.

First, as spokesman for the U. S. Foreign Intelligence Community, I believe that I must be responsive to whatever questions you ask in whatever detail you desire it. Beyond that, however, I believe it my responsibility to assume the positive obligation to raise with you any matters of possible interest to you in fulfilling your obligation to the President to review the overall national foreign intelligence effort and recommend to him ways to increase its effectiveness. I have tried to apply this principle from the time of my confirmation and assure you of my commitment to it in the future.

Sincerely,

7s/ Bill

W. E. Colby

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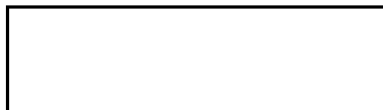
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MEMORANDUM FOR: DCI

SUBJECT: "No Surprises" Letter  
for PFIAB

Attached at Tab 1 is a proposed letter for your signature to Admiral Anderson, Chairman, PFIAB, which responds to your instruction on the MOR on the April 3rd meeting with the Board (Tab 2). It is patterned after your letter to Senator Stennis as you requested, copy of which is attached at Tab 3.

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